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Marlene H. Dortch
Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street, SW
Washington, DC 20554

Re: *Litchfield County Cellular, Inc. dba Ramcell of Kentucky LLC*
Supplement to Petition for Waiver of the Location-Capable Handset
Benchmark Deadlines
CC Docket No. 94-102

Dear Ms. Dortch:

Litchfield County Cellular, Inc. dba Ramcell of Kentucky LLC ("Litchfield") hereby supplements its October 27, 2005 petition for waiver¹ of the location-capable handset deployment benchmarks applicable to Litchfield's TDMA cellular system in the Kentucky 11-Clay RSA market² to update the Commission on the progress made by Litchfield since the filing of the Petition. Litchfield also seeks an additional six months to complete the marketing and sale

¹ Petition of Litchfield County Cellular, Inc. dba Ramcell of Kentucky LLC for Waiver of the Location-Capable Handset Benchmark Deadlines, CC Docket No. 94-102 (filed Oct. 27, 2005) ("Petition").

² Pursuant to a prior waiver granted to Litchfield, by October 31, 2005, twenty-five percent of all new handsets sold and activated by Litchfield were required to be location capable. By November 30, 2005, fifty percent of such handsets were required to be location-capable, and by December 31, 2005, one hundred percent of such phones were required to be location-capable. See Revision of the Commission's Rules to Ensure Compatibility with Enhanced 911 Emergency Calling Systems, *Order*, 20 FCC Rcd 7709, ¶ 56 (2005) ("*E911 Small Carrier Relief Order*").

of its TDMA system because, despite Litchfield's best efforts, potential buyers of Litchfield's TDMA system have not yet been identified.

As the Commission is aware, Litchfield originally intended to convert its network from TDMA to CDMA, and to roll-out ALI-capable CDMA handsets in order to achieve Phase II compliance with its handset-based solution within the relevant benchmarks established in the *E911 Small Carrier Relief Order*.³ In the intervening months after it secured temporary relief from the Commission in that order, Litchfield experienced additional financial setbacks which made its planned CDMA conversion impossible. Litchfield determined that due to the costs of an overlay, the rural nature of the market, and financial setbacks, such a measure was not economically viable from a business standpoint.⁴ Litchfield requested a waiver through February 28, 2006 to allow it to list its TDMA system with a broker, and complete the sale of the system.⁵ Although Litchfield has focused its limited company resources and has used its best efforts to sell its TDMA system within the requested timeframe, it must respectfully request an additional six months, through August 31, 2006, to allow it to complete the marketing and sale of its TDMA system.

Since the filing of the Petition, Litchfield has listed its TDMA system with a professional telecommunications broker. The broker is bringing his company's resources to bear to broadly market Litchfield's system to prospective buyers. Unfortunately, because TDMA is an outmoded air interface for commercial mobile radio service, it poses an economic disincentive to potential buyers as any buyer will have to overlay the TDMA system to an alternative air

³ See Petition at 1-2.

⁴ *Id.*

⁵ *Id.*

interface.⁶ Accordingly, Litchfield is unable to predict when a potential qualified buyer will be identified and, therefore, requests an additional six months through August 31, 2006, to complete the marketing and sale processes.

Litchfield respectfully submits that, for all of the reasons supporting the extension of time sought by the initial Petition, a brief further extension of the compliance deadline to permit Litchfield to identify a buyer and complete the sale of its system to an operator that will achieve compliance with the Commission's E911 handset requirements would promote the public interest.

Kindly contact the undersigned should you have any questions in this regard.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "William J. Sill". The signature is written in dark ink and includes a stylized flourish at the end.

William J. Sill
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Counsel for Litchfield County Cellular, Inc.

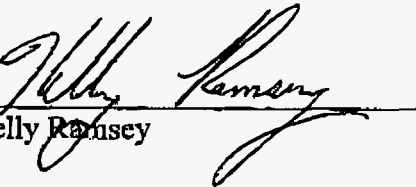
⁶ The Commission has recognized that "a technology overbuild represents a considerable undertaking and requires a significant investment." See *Section 68.4(a) of the Commission's Rules Governing Hearing-Aid Compatible Telephones*, WT Docket No. 01-309, *Order on Reconsideration and Further Notice of Proposed Rulemaking*, FCC 05-122, at ¶ 49 (rel. June 21, 2005).

DECLARATION OF KELLY RAMSEY

I, Kelly Ramsey, declare under penalty of perjury that the following is true and correct:

1. I am the General Manager of Litchfield County Cellular, Inc. d/b/a Ramcell of Kentucky, LLC ("Litchfield").
2. I have reviewed the foregoing Supplement to Petition for Waiver of the Location-Capable Handset Benchmark Deadlines and believe it to be true and correct to the best of my knowledge, information and belief.

This Declaration is executed this 17th day of February, 2006.


Kelly Ramsey